

REMARKS


Claims 1-3, 5, 7, 16-22, 24 and 25 are presently pending in the application. Claims 4, 6, 8-15, 21 and 25 have been previously cancelled. Claims 16-19 and 23 are being cancelled without prejudice to the filing of any appropriate continuation application, as being directed to non-elected subject matter. Claims 26 and 27 have been added and recite ranges found in claims 2 and 3 respectively. A corresponding number of claims have been cancelled and so no fee is believed due for the newly added claims.

Applicant gratefully acknowledges the allowance of method claims 20, 22, and 24 at page 3 of the instant Office Action. Applicant has amended claims 20 and 22 into independent form. The Examiner has indicated that the subject matter of claim 7 is allowable subject to being rewritten into independent form. Accordingly, claim 1 has been amended to include the subject matter of claim 7 and claim 7 has been cancelled.

Having addressed all outstanding issues, Applicant requests that a Notice of Allowance be issued in the above-referenced application. The Commissioner is authorized to apply any additional charges or credits to Deposit Account No. 19-0733.

Respectfully submitted,

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